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From T. W. McBride.

NEVADA, TEX., July 20, '91.
Editor Democrat.

I dismissed my school at Frazier, Greer county, Texas, and came home the 17th ult., to correct some false impressions, which had been made that were doing my character an injury.

The impression calculated to do me the greatest injury was caused by a statement made by Marion Cotner, and reiterated by C. V. Boyd.

Mr. Cotner made the statement, that he sold a bale of cotton at Nevada, and that I weighed it for him and that it weighed only 529 lbs., and that he complained of it not weighing enough, and that I said nothing, but went to my receipt book and issued a receipt for 538 lbs., and further, that he did not know any better until he went to settle with Mr. Boyd for the rent, and that he told Mr. Boyd that the bale weighed 529 lbs., and that Mr. Boyd examined the statement, furnished by the book-keeper, who paid for the cotton, and remarked that the statement called for 538 lbs., but taking Mr. Cotner's statement as true and correct they settled to 529 lbs.

Now then Mr. Boyd said, in the presence of two or three men in the store house of Boyd & Simmons of this place, that Mr. Cotner claims, that the books at Moore & Rollow's, (where he got pay for his cotton) correspond with the statement furnished by the bookkeeper, and that he (Mr. Cotner) came to me and asked me what I meant by giving him a receipt for a bale of cotton at 538 lbs., when the bale weighed only 529 lbs., and that I remarked, "if the buyer does not kick you need not kick and just go on and say no more about it."

Now, then, I must say that my books fail to show any such bale weighed for Mr. Cotner, but the one he refers to, it being the last bale I weighed for him, did weigh 539 lbs., I have the receipt that I issued to him and on the back of it is the amount paid out for the bale of cotton, which it represents and the figures were put there by S. Humpries, book keeper for Moore & Rollow. I also have the stub of the receipt, and will give below a list of compress weights shipped from here to Martin Wise and Fitzhugh on the same day that I weighed Mr. Cotner's bale of cotton. The list below was weighed from the 24th to 26th of November 1890. The left hand column is the tag number, under which the cotton was shipped. The middle column is the weight at my scales and the right hand column is the Greenville compress weights, and is as follows:

Tag No.	Wh't at my scales	Greenvill com. weight.
54,948	479	480
54,949	521	520
54,950	515	515
54,951	512	512
54,952	435	435
54,953	521	520
54,954	529	530
54,955	505	505
54,956	477	475
54,957	516	515
54,958	484	485
54,961	510	510
54,962	498	495
54,963	511	510
54,964	514	515
54,965	491	490
54,966	478	480
54,967	499	500
54,968	542	540
54,969	491	490
54,970	538	540
54,971	499	500
54,972	500	500
54,973	532	530
54,974	484	485
54,975	511	510
54,977	529	530
54,978	473	475
54,979	499	500
54,980	459	460
54,981	536	535
54,982	521	520
54 983	520	520
54,984	532	535
54 985	483	485
54,986	502	500
54,987	489	490
54,988	520	520
54,989	526	525
54,990	544	545
54,991	518	520
54,992	515	515
54,993	539	540
54,994	548	550
54,995	477	475
54,996	542	540
54,997	486	485
54 998	516	515
54,999	486	485
55,000	505	505
55.001	485	485
55,002	512	510
55.003	494	495
55,004	513	515
55,005	478	480
55,006	486	485
55,007	508	510
55,008	508	510
55,009	515	516
55,010	469	470
55,011	562	560
55,012	516	515
55,013	465	465
55,014	494	495
55,015	473	475
55,016	447	445
55,017	536	535
55,018	434	434
55,019	530	530
55,020	536	535

The above list contains the bale refered to by Mr. Cotner and was shipped under tag No. 54,993, to the Greenville compress on the same day that I weighed it at Nevada.

By an examination you will see that Mr. Cotner's bale gained one pound at the compress over my weights. But to take the whole list there is neither gain nor loss.

I must say positively that I have no recollection of Mr. Cotner or any other man coming to me for correction on weights, or asking me any such question as he claims to have asked me.

I leave the public to judge whether the figures and facts given above be correct or Mr. Cotner is mistaken.

From Uncle Jesse.

A Spicy Letter.

ILLINOIS S. H., Aug., 1, '91.
Editor Democrat.

Every joy hath its sorrow, but the sun shine follows the rain; we are having lots of big meetings now, and the chosen ones are arising their clerical abilities and the fallen sons of Adam's posterity are being convinced of their waywardness. Everybody is havinga gay time; the feathered tribe are gradually disappearing from the continueous on slaughts. The good people are having a picnic every few days with plenty of good things, music and dancing and every thing is lovely.

Everybody is fixing up in their Sunday duds and are going to see their wife's kinfolks "in Arkansaw" and other parts and this scribe would like to go, but he can't. So you see every joy hath its sorrow, but the sun shine follows the rain.

The troubles of this world are bearing heavily on this scribe's mind. It has not been long since the Alliance had a big to do. Everybody went and bragged about the good time they had, and told about the "Sunflower from Bleeding, Kansas," the "Boss" from Washington, "the man who beat Hare," the big horse and fat boy and the "little girl that talked like a man," 'till we were amazed and wished we had been there, but we couldn't for our "jeans" were not secure and sound in their foundation, and our year before last straw hat was ragged at the edges and fit too soon, and our "Sunday shirt," was a visiting, and the frost of many winters had caused many wrinkles in our slippers, and the Lord knows what else, but we were consoled with the thought that; every joy hath its sorrow, but the sun shine follows the rain.

Everybody is going west to get fresh air, for their health, see the folks and eat peaches. Some are going back to "the old states" to see the "connection," "drink good water and keep cool," but it takes money to do this and we "just aint 'er stranger."

Only a few days ago there was a wedding in our country and we had our mind set on having a good time, but just about the time, we were reminded by our "wiser half," that stove wood had to be cut, water to carry, pigs to feed and the cows to pail, so that by the time this was done and we had got on our "Father hubbard suit," we were told by a friend that the long looked for event had transpired, supper eat and the guests disappeared. Land of goshen! Our grief was boundless, but during our sorrow we remembered that every joy hath its sorrow, but the sun shine follows the rain. Lots of young folks are marrying now and they are all smiles, life before them seems to be a path strewn with flowers, a halo of bliss seems to have arched over the whole journey. Peace, love and happiness are floating before their deluded eyes like a mirage in the desert. This scribe thought so, but not so, things have changed, our trials are many. Just only a few nights ago, we returned from our work and found "the cook" with the tooth ache and cross as a cat. Our orders were given so plain and sharp that a way fairing man, though a fool could not err therein, supper to get, and everything to do and we were tired and we nearly wished we hadn't and at the same time we knew that; every joy hath its sorrow, but the sunshine follows the rain.

Bois'd'arc Items.

Crops are looking well.

Wheat and oats are all threshed and made a good yield. Cotton looks promising. Some of the farmers say it will make one bale per acre. Corn will make 65 to 75 bushels per acre.

E. A. Kirkland has been afflicted with a pet on his foot and has been unable to work.

Some of the boys of our neighborhood are talking of taking a trip out west. We hope they will have a nice time.

Success to The DEMOCRAT.

ORPHAN BOY.

From H. L. Sdies.

FARMERSVILLE, July 13, 1891.
Editor Democrat.

It is with much pleasure that I send in a few lines to interest your many readers.

Health is very good in our community while peace prevails in our midst.

Your writer was over joyed in finding a letter from Hon. Henry E. McCullough which was taken from the Mercury. I have been waiting for some one to answer this good friends letter, but not a scratch of a pen do I yet see. I can wait no longer. I look at this old patriot as one of our best old Texan soldiers I have tried this Henry E. McCullough in everyway and form and find him strictly honest. He will give justice to all who are poor and all the General wants is justice to all. I would like to say a great deal more about my Generals good quality, but as I am an uneducated man and only a one horse power at that, no one can expect much of me at length. But I will ask you readers to notice the last part of Gen, McCullough's letter as follows:

"I would respectfully suggest that probably the safest course to pursue is to put up no man who seeks leadership for personal agrandizement, to select no man whose moral character is not pure or who has ever been charged or suspected of financial crookedness either in private or public life."

Now so far as the sub treasuary bill is concerned, I don't know whether it would better our condition or not. But equal rights to all and special priveleges to none will better the laborors condition.

Success to the DEMOCRAT and its readers.

From a Farmer.

Editor Democrat.

Will you put this in your grand and reliable paper.

As a subscriber I would like to see it in print; not as I want to be conspicious, but I think the farmers have a right to ex pression. I have attended the campmeeting and have listened to all the speeches pro and con on the sub-treasury plan and it seems that it is os plain as the noon day sun, that if all the tarriff was taken off and given equal to all it would not be five dollars per capita. But this can't be, for it would stop the great hobby that is dividing the common people.

I think all acknowledge this would give about $15 per capita. Where would the other $37 come from? The government gives it to the banks at 1 per cent. Why not loan to farmers on grain and cotton which is as good as the banks or anything in existence. The banks will advance 90 per cent on your cotton, if they don't I will pitch this old pencil out at the window. The sub treasury plan is the only way and sooner or latter it will get there Eli If possible I want some one to offer a better plan, and I will not say another word. Until it is done I am square on the Okala platform.

While I was at the campmeeting, every little while a boy would come along and call out "MORNING DAILY DEMOCRAT' and I would take it until I had all my pockets full, and thinks I the DEMOCRAT is a "hustler."

GRAND PA.

From Lone Elm.

LONE ELM, July 13, 1891.
Editor Democrat.

Well another week has passed in enjoyment to those who love this black waxy mud. In fact there has been so much rain of late that there has been but little plowing done.

W. S. Vernon took in McKinney Thursday and reports a fine time.

Frank Kendall and lady was visiting in McKinney Friday.

J. M. Alexander of this place and Miss Sarah Hudgens. of Niangua, Mo., were united in the holy ties of Matrimony on Wednesday last at the brides residence in Missouri. May the pleasant ties that bind them together as man and wife be severed only in death. Your correspondent to the DEMOCRAT with its many readers, extend congratulations to the newly weded couple and wish them unalloyed joy.

The peach crop of Lone Elm was never larger or finer. The truth is this is a fruit country.

The little infant of Wm. Rivers was quite sick last week.

The Lone Elm base ball club have decided not to play any more base ball on the Sabbath. This is positively anticipation of Bro. Coleman's visit to Lone Elm.

Friend does not believe there is a dozen idle men in Lone Elm, there seems to be employment for all who want work.

Ed Chipman went to McKinney Thursday and reports a good time.

A crowd of young folks of this place attended the literary at Chambers school house Friday night and report a nice time.

Two of Weston's prettiest and most accomplished young ladies Misses Cora and Alice Smith were visiting friends and relatives here last week.

W. D. Smith made a business trip to Weston Friday last.

J. R. Cox will leave in a few days on a visit to Brookhaven Mississippi.

FRIEND.

Chumley—"You decline me because I am poor, but some day I shall be rich."

Jessie—"Well, you have my post office address."

A Georgia Speech.

Col. L. F. Livingston closed a speech at Cycloneta, Georgia, recently about as follows:

"He said that if there was a man in the audience who was opposed to the sub-treasury plan he would give him a thousand dollars to explain it or repeat the first line of it. Any man that opposed it did so through ignorance or meanness. He said for the people to let that party alone. God Almighty would attend to that when it becomes necessary. "It might," he said, "become a necessity, but for God's sake wait till it is."

He said that the hardest fighting was yet to come. He made the following earnest appeal: "How many of you," he cried, "can I depend upon to stand by the Alliance and its principles?"

"All of us," rang from many a throat, and as he looked upon the sea of upraised hands and determined faces, he said, "Thank you, I am done."

The press of Georgia is having a great deal to say about Hon. Thos. Watson's criticism of the democratic party. One paper said he was elected as a democrat and ought to resign. If he was to resign, the voters of the tenth district would elect him almost unanimously. Mr. Watson is a democrat and as one of the democratic household has a right to point out its errors and warn the party leaders of the trouble ahead if the policy of the party is not brought back to the true interests of the people. What is a party for if it is not to serve the people? If it is controlled by men who are slayes to the money power it is bound to go down. We are not preaching partyism only, but if the democratic party runs an eastern gold bug and tries to make a single campaign issue of the tariff, it will find that Tom Watson is right.—S. A Farmer.

A majority of the counties and congressional districts in Missouri have denounced U. S Hall and his co-conspirators and eudorsed the Alliance demands. Some people will yet learn that the Farmers Alliance means busines, and that to monkey with it is to tackle a buzz saw, running at the rate of 2000 revolutions a minute.—Southern Mercury.

A slow husband. Hicks—"It is a consoling thought that after I am dead you won't make me hurry as you do now."

Mrs. Hicks—"You will have just about time enough to get around, provided that it turns out that 'a thousand years is as one day.'"

Enpec—"I have no doubt after I am dead you could break my will."

Mrs. Enpec—"I couldn't prove that you were crazy."

"Not unless you raked up my marriage to you."

Dr. Emdee—"And you say you haven't touched the medicine I gave you"

Quigley—"No; the bottle said to shake well before taking."

"What had that to do with it?"

"I have been waiting to shake.

Young Mother—What in the world makes the baby cry so?

Young Father—I guess he heard me say I managed to get a little sleep last night.—New York Times.

It is a mistake about it being unhealthy to sleep in fea hers Look at the spring chicken and see how tough he is.—Richmond Recorder.

We talk about the energy of Americans, yet there never was an American who has not felt chilly all night rather than get up for more cover.

The missus—You oughtn't to leave the floor in such a condition. Why don't you take your chips with you?

Carpenter—Who do you take me for, the Prince of Wales?—Life.



In reading over the literary items of the week, I found not much to interest me, until my eye caught sight of an article headed "Jenks' Dream." Imagine my surprise to find it ended up with a recommendation to use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. Nevertheless, being a great sufferer from sick headache, I determined to try them, and, to my great joy, I found prompt relief, and by their protracted use, a complete immunity from such attacks. Pierce's Pellets often cure sick headache in an hour. They are gently laxative or actively cathartic, according to size of dose. As a pleasant laxative, take one each night on retiring. For adults, four act as an active, yet painless, cathartic. Cause no griping or sickness. Best Liver Pill ever made. Smallest, Cheapest, Easiest to take. For Constipation, Indigestion and Bilious Attacks, they have no equal.

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Farmersville, Collin county, Texas, Aug. 3.—On yesterday evening the quiet town of Farmersville became excited over an affray between Thomas Smith and William Clifton, Clifton getting his arm broken by a stick in the hands of Smith, and Smith receiving a severe wound in the arm by a knife in the hands of Clifton.

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Good morning, brave ex-soldiers of the Blue and Gray.

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The fight is on and the alliance is on the defence.

The alliance is "in it" and "don't you forget it."

Advice sometimes gets so cheap that one cannot help believing it is shoddy.

The jester amendment to draw on the permanent school fund will hardly pass muster.

It seems that the politicians, of both the old parties are determined to create a "third party."

Some people are very solicitous about the farmer. They even advise him to "keep out of politics."

This is a free country. If it were not so our opponents would not have the glorious privilege of making "durn" fools of themselves.



The individual who undertakes to split the Alliance gets his foot "in it."

W. R. Lamb has issued a call for a mass meeting of the peoples' party to meet in convention at Dallas, on the third Monday, the 17th day of August 1891, at some hall to be selected and announced by the peoples' party in Dallas.

The Texas papers which denounced Senator Ingalls a year ago, are today heaping abuse on Senator Peffer, the man who laid Ingalls on the political shelf. We suppose this is to manifest their love (?) for the alliance and to keep it clear of the shoals of disruption (?)

A gentleman of this city while out fishing the other day crawled into a dry hollow log to shelter from the rain. After the rain he tried to crawl out but found that the rain had swollen the log and made the hole too small for him to protrude. There the poor fellow lay thinking of his past meanness until at last he thought of how often he had borrowed his neighbors paper. This thought made him so small that he easily crawled out.

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A gentleman of Lebanon, Tenn., acknowledges the receipt of our special and says we may look for several Tennessee boys during the coming fall.

A Georgia correspondent writes a cheering letter and predicts that Texas will receive many Georgia emigrants this fall.

Several other letters have been received by our friends throughout the county in which The DEMOCRAT is complimented for its efforts in advertising Collin county.

Mr. W. N. Connor, of Mc Comb, Illinois, writes that The DEMOCRAT special reached his town and owing to the splendid description of Texas, Collin county and McKinney, a great many representative young men left the next Monday morning for the Lone Star state.

MEXIA, TEX., July 23, '91.

Mr. Thompson. The DEMOCRAT'S special was a daisy. Why not send it to us regular?

Yours fraternally,

A. M. KENNEDY.

PRESS COMMENTS.

The special edition of the McKinney Democrat, issued July 16, is a six-column quarto profusely illustrated. Many of the illustrations are designed to contrast old times with the present, and "the cow we used to milk" will make many a horny handed farmer regret that he can't be a boy again.—Dallas News.

The McKinney Democrat did honor to the Alliance encampment by blossoming out on Monday morning as a brilliant little daily, and it proposes to keep it up through the entire week.—Dallas News.

The McKinney Democrat recently issued a special illustrated edition of much merit.—Denton Chronicle.

The McKinney Democrat special edition is before us. It is neatly gotten up and is full of descriptive and statistical information, and is a good immigration document for Collin county.—Cuero Standard.

The McKinney Daily Democrat is a new comer at this office. The last issue contained a fine cut of Senator Peffer, who is attending the big Alliance meeting in that place.—Sherman Democrat.

The special illustrated edition of the McKinney Democrat was a unique and interesting issue.—Huntsville Item.

The special edition of the McKinney Democrat was a "thing of beauty" and will be a "joy forever," Bro. Thompson, your effort deserves high praise and McKinney should show a substantial appreciation.—Collin County News.

The McKinney Democrat issued a mammoth illustrated special edition on the 16th, which is highly creditable to the publisher as well as the enterprising town in which it was published.—Colorado Clipper.

The Democrat's special edition is a nice affair, and reflects much credit on our friend Thompson.—McKinney Gazette.

The illustrated special Farmer's Alliance edition of the McKinney DEMOCRAT of July 16, is a gem of its kind, and will do to file away as an interesting chapter of the banner agricultural county of Texas—Denton Monitor.

F. C. Thompson and F. T. Cook, of the Democrat at McKinney, are issuing a daily edition this week in the interest of the encampment near that place. It is neatly gotten up, and gives full proceedings of all the speeches.—Wylie Rustler.

We are in receipt of the special illustrated edition of the McKinney Democrat. From a perusal of this journal one can quickly see it is an earnest worker for Collin county and McKinney. The write up is adequate and the cuts and illustrations are original. We wish the Democrat success.—Ennis Local.

The Herald is in receipt of an illustrated edition of the McKinney Democrat, published by F. C. Thompson at McKinney. The Democrat has long been a valued exchange, but its illustrated edition, giving views of prominent people and scenes of Collin county, eclipses all former efforts. It is a neat paper and deserves unlimited support.—Greenville Herald.

The special illustrated edition of the McKinney Democrat reaches us this week. It contains an elegant write up of the town and county, together with crop statistics and cuts of McKinney's prominent buildings and citizens, together with brief biographies of the latter. The paper will do the town and country a power of good and we congratulate you, Brother Thompson, on your enterprise and the neat appearance of the paper.—Quanah Chief.

We have received the illustrated special edition of the McKinney Democrat, published at McKinney, Collin county, Texas. Typographically it is a beauty, and contains a lengthy write-up of its town and county. The management of the Democrat have the welfare of its town at heart and in turn the people of that place should accord the paper a liberal support.—Yoakum Graphic.

The Era is in receipt of a copy of the Daily Democrat, published and edited by F. C. Thompson at McKinney. It is a newsy sheet and a credit to its town. Chas. Kean, the energetic typo who spent last summer here with the Stuttz Co., we are pleased to note fills the position of foremon on the Democrat. — Aransas Pass Era.

We are now receiving the "McKinney Daily Democrat." a live paper engaged in a noble cause. It is, we believe, the only daily Alliance paper in the state, but as the Fort Worth Gazette, "scab convention" died in child-birth we expect soon to see that great religious daily fall into line with the people.—Jefferson Jimplicute.

Collin county is this week engaged in entertaining thousands of visitors to the Alliance compmeeting near McKinney. Streator of Illinois, Peffer, of Kansas, Dr. McCune, and other large lights of the Alliance are present, and much sub-treasury steam is being turned on. Thursday, Hon. J. W. Bailey and Dr. McCune debated the sub-treasury matter. The McKinney Democrat, the Alliance organ, is issuing a daily during the week.—Sherman Courier.

The special illustrated editi on of the McKinney Democrat is before us. It is indeed worthy of commendation. Bro. Thompson deserves more than ordinary praise for the pluck, energy and good judgement displayed in this effort. The citizens of McKinney and Collin county should spread them unsparingly over the country. It gives the Alliance a very just and laudable boom, which no one would be worsted by reading. Success to Bro. Thompson and the Democrat.—Bandera Enterprise.

The McKinney Democrat surprised its subscribers by issuing an illustrated edition this week, replete with descriptive articles on the productiveness of Collin county soil, biographical sketches of early settlers, Alliance leaders and Senator Peffer of Kansas. The effort reflects credit on the Democrat's management, and the merchants of the county's capital tax the columns with well displayed advertisements.—Plano Enquirer.

The McKinney Democrat issued a splendid eight-page supplement last week, setting forth the advantages of Collin county. The issue contained many illustrations of prominent residents of the county, public buildings, etc., together with exhaustive writeups. The value to a county of such an advertisement can hardly be estimated. Editor Thompson deserves unstinted credit for his public enterprise.—Waller County Courier.

Almost Finished.

The new building of the Mississippi store is nearly completed and will be one of the finest buildings in the city. Mr. Murphy of this firm is now in New York busily engaged in buying a large and handsome stock of drygoods which will soon begin to arrive. The first and second story of the Mississippi store will be placed full of these goods in ample time for the fall trade and will be arranged with a view of accomodating the many customers of Murphy, Perry & Co. When in our city don't fail to call on this genial and fair dealing firm. You will always be heartily welcomed there.

The state convicts have been at work during the previous week on the H. & T. C. R. R., just north of the city.

IF YOUR BACK ACHES,
Or you are all worn out, really good for nothing, it is general debility. Try
BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.
It will cure you, cleanse your liver, and give a good appetite.

CHEAPER MONEY.

A Fair Proposition.

Citizens Take Notice.

St. Joseph, Mo., July 26, '91.

Bro. Kirkpatrick:

As I am laid off here for a half day, waiting for a train, I embrace the opportunity to send you a few thoughts mainly for the good of the order.

I was favorably impressed with your people and with their prospects and possibilities.

The fertility of your soil is a wonder in its productive energy. And in your soils are the elements of your future wealth, prosperity and happiness. In short, there is no good reason why the people in Collin county should not be much more prosperous than they now are.

As I was riding through Kansas yesterday I thought often of your people, of their hospitality and of their conditions. One thing that comes to my mind with great force as a hindrance to your prosperity as a people, was the enormous rate of interest charged for use of money by your banks, and which I learned is from 12 to 24 per cent.

Your farmers cannot afford to use such high price money, they need a cheaper money and need it badly. Of course, cheaper money is a cardinal principle of the Alliance. Still, I do think that you ought, if possible, take steps to obtain money at a lower rate before the Alliance demands are enacted into law and put into practice.

You remember, Bro. Kirkpatrick that I spoke of these things when there, and said that your Alliance people ought to start a bank in Collin county, at which Alliance people might obtain money at a lower rate.

You mentioned the fact that a bank had been started by the Alliance in some part of the state, which met with failure and that the people were now timid and afraid of such a venture.

I know nothing of the dificulties that swamped the bank referred to, and I still believe, from what I saw and heard while with your people that a safe and reliable bank might be established by the Alliance people in Collin county, that would furnish them money at not above 10 per cent now.

If I lived in your county I certainly would try to induce the Alliance people, in their individual capacity, to take stock in it and would be a stockholder myself. It need not be a National bank, or bank of issue, these we want abolished, but could be a private institution as provided by the laws of your state Such a bank, located in McKinney, by the advice and encouragement of the Alliance members, in their individual capacity would be a success from the start.

As a further evidence of my faith in your people, and in the success of such an institution I am ready to subscribe to its capital stock. Let it be the Alliance bank of Collin county.

Please present these thoughts to your Alliance people, and write me at New Windsor, Illinois.

Remember me to Mrs. Kirkpatrick and family, who, with yourself Bro. so kindly entertained me at your home. I may come again.

Very truly your bro.

A. J. STREETER.

P. S. You remember that in one of my speeches I spoke of our mortgage indebtedness, and how our homes in states farther north were passing out of the hands of the people through foreclosure sales.

Inclosed find a Kansas City paper purchased on my way here. It contains near four solid pages of notices for such sales. It is a stubborn evidence of the fact that the people are loosing their homes for the want of more money in circulation. S.

The above letter from our honored friend and brother of Illinois, will be read with great interest by the people of Collin county. His appreciation of our resources and esteem of this people are very gratifying.

Above all, his offer to subscribe stock to a private bank, in order to supply us with cheaper money, will ever endear his name to all the Alliance men of Collin county.

What say you brothers to this proposition? Will you join our honoroble friend and establish the Collin county Alliance bank? With good careful management it would be a success. There is an immense demand for cheaper money and every resource should be invited.

Our honored brother, during his welcomed visit among us, saw, in this soil and this people, unlimited wealth and development. Hence, his willingness to invest in this much needed enterprise.

Brethren, let us have your expression on this question through The DEMOCRAT.

The "Bread cast upon the waters" during our late happy meeting is bringing back fruit of much value from many sources and this from Brother Streeter may grow to immenese value.

There is no reason why a private bank here would not succeed.

Our soil is all the most fertile known, our population, our farms, our products, and wealth of all kinds are increasing rapidly and, best of all, the people are growing in wisdom and love of country, home and race. Probably no people have better financial rating than those of Collin county, Texas.

Cheaper money will give us manufactories and they will give solid wealth.

We will be glad to hear from others on this question.

The Farmersville News Man Answered.

MCKINNEY, TEX., Aug 4, '91.

Editor Democrat:

In the issue of the Collin County News of July 26, 1891, published at Farmersville, the wild and wooly editor of that new born journal becomes some what stirred up about a resolution passed by the Collin County Alliance, in answer to a slur cast at certain Alliance leaders.

In his zeal, in behalf (?) of the Alliance he drafts three serious (?) charges against Dr. McCune.

1st. He says that McCune lives in an $8,000 Washington residence. but is candid enough to print McCune's statement that he (McCune) only paid $1,000 down and promised to pay $100 per month thereafter. The object of the C. C. News is to cast a reflection on McCune, (not the Alliance (?)) because McCune, only a few years ago was a poor man.

2nd. That McCune has never shown where he got $16,000 to lose on the National Economist. It may be possible that McCune owes this $16,000, the same as he owes on his home. If he stole it why is it that the man from whom he stole it does not indict him?

3rd. That McCune received $2,000 from Pat Calhoun, which McCune claims as a loan.

If McCune has lied let the C. C. News man prove it or quit trying to defend(?) the Alliance. He further charges that McCune rides on free railroad passes.

Admit that McCune does ride on free railroad passes, if it proves anything it proves that McCune is unpurchasable; for he certainly is putting in some sledge hammer licks against railroad and all other forms of monopoly. After making these wholesale charges for the benefit (?) of the order the editor rises in his superlative dignity and says: "If this paper has lied the courts of the country are open and will afford Mr. McCune a reparation that should be more satisfactory to an honorable man than a boycott."

McCune can say the same thing. If he is a thief let the courts handle him. It would take all the money McCune is charged with stealing to prosecute the hundreds of irresponsible sheets that fire their borrowed loads at him.

The C. C. News further doubts the wisdom of McCune supporting Pat Calhoun for U. S. Senator, stating that Calhoun is a hired tool of monopoly and is an enemy of the Alliance.

The writer was just reading yesterday where Pat Calhoun is making Alliance speeches in Georgia. If McCune is working in the interest of monopoly why is monopoly and its press "moving heaven and earth" to crush him out.

It is absurd to believe. It is plain to see that the only object of the opposition, in fighting McCune is to destroy the Farmers Allian e organization. Why do not those papers (which claims their mission is to expose leaders) strike nearer home?

In the existing political parties are national, state and local leaders who have bought $8,000 houses, lost $16,000, received $2,000 and rode on free passes.

Yea, at every recurring election ballots are bought and stolen and the perpetrators stands at the head af the social column with smiles, occupies the front pews of our churches with solemn air and has a monopoly of the "personal mention" columns of ceriain papers.

DELEGATE TO C. C. ALLIANCE

SUMMER NORMAL.

Three Days Examination, of Applicants for Teachers' Certificates.

Resolutions of Gratification and Appreciation.

Entertainment.

During the term of the Summer Normal, of the 17th senatorial district, held at McKinney, under the management of E. M. Faust, assisted by T. A. Coleman, Supt. of Public Instruction, Collin county, H Goolsby, principal of Forney school and I. A. Looney, principal of Farmersville Academy, more than 70 students have attended.

Some of the ablest teachers in the district were among those enrolled. The discussions of the numerous topics were marked for the earnest, able and courteous manner of presentation by the teachers and students.

Much good certainly was accomplished by the review of studies and methods of instruction, and the children of this section will certainly derive great benefit from the result.

At a meeting of the Summer Normal students of the 17th senatorial district, held at the County superintendent's office in McKinney, J. T. Teel was called to the chair, T. M. Wilson was appointed secretary, J. H. Hill, Misses Beulah Stamps, Mollie Work, M. D Brown, A. T. Dickey, and W. Hughston, were appointed a committee on resolutions.

The committee on resolutions submitted the following, which were received and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, we deem it but just as well as a pleasure to express our hearty appreciation and approval of the manner, in which Mr. E. M. Faust conducted the Normal and the very efficient aids he brought to the Normal to render our labors profitable and pleasant.

Be it resolved. 1. That we tender the managers of our Normal—our heartfelt thanks for their earnest effort in our behalf and their kindness throughout the work.

2. That we tender our thanks to the citizens of McKinney for their kindness and hospitality.

3. That we tender our thanks to State Sup't. Pritchett, for his visit to our Normal; and our appreciation for his very generous list of practical questions for the examination of teachers.

4. That we bespeak for the managers of our Normal, a happy future and may their future fields of labor fall in pleasant places.

5. That a copy of the resolutions be sent to the local papers, The Dallas Daily News and The Texas School Journal.

The entertainment given by Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Coleman, at their home was a pleasant affair, which the teachers and their friends enjoyed hugely.

Mr. H. Goolsby, of Forney, while in McKinney, by his earnest faithful efforts in behalf of the Normal very much endeared himself to the teachers of this section. He is quite a favorite among the teachers of Collin county, and when he comes this way again will find the latch string on the out side.

Were They Qualified?

A correspondent sends some evidence that it is not always the school children who have queer ideas regarding the meaning of words. She has transcribed from several hundred replies to questions given in the examination of applicants for the position of teacher. The candidates were asked to define plagiarism. Here are eight of the answers.

Plagiarism is an occult science. Plagiarism is the act of plaguing. It is the state of believing differently from the majority of people.

It is the act of telling falsehoods about an opponent. It is downright meanness. It is having the disposition to fight. It is something made correct by usage. I do not know unless it relates to the power of witching.

Define pedagogics. Pedagogics is female teachers. It relates to petty rulers. In that case there is something about pedagogics in the history of Europe, also history of the United States and the Bible. It is the history of one's good or bad deeds. Pedagogics is an old teacher that's cranky.

What are metaphoric rocks? They are rocks composed of little animals called metamorphoses.

What is the derivation of the word "polypus?" It is derived from poly (many) and pus (puss); many cats.

What is anatomy? Anatomy is extinct in a dead boddy.

What can you say of the use of pain and pleasure? Pain is of no use, but it is bad for the health. Pain gives the physician practice. Pain tells us that all is not right in the region where the pain is. There are many kinds of pain, enough for every one to have some. Pleasure is useful because it promotes health, it lets us enjoy ourselves while the pains are absent.

Describe the bee. The bee has 2 wings, 4 leggs. It has 1 part at the end of the boddy not the head that is poisonous. He is classed among flies.

Give an account of Horace Greeley. He led the Greeley expedition into the north, turned cannible, eating up their members when provisions gave out.—Youth's Companion.

Why People Get Married.

Though it is very common to reproach old bachelors with their celibacy, and to pity old maids as if single blessedness were a misfortune, yet many married people have seen fit to offer apologies for having entered into what some profane wag has called the "holy bands of padlock." One man says he got married to get a housekeeper, another to get rid of bad company.

Many women declare they got married for the sake of a home; few acknowledge that their motive was to get a husband. Goethe averred that he got married in order to be "respectable." John Wilkes said he took a wife "to please his friend." Wycherly, who espoused his housemaid, said he did it to "spite his relations."

A widow who married a second husband said she wanted somebody to condole with her for the loss of her first. Another, because she thought a wedding would "amuse the children." Another, to get rid of incessant importunity from a crowd of suiters.

Old maids who get married invariably assure their friends that they thought they could be "more useful" as wives than as spinsters. Nevertheless Quilp gives it as his opinion that nine-tenths of all persons who marry, whether widows or widowers, spinsters or bachelors, do so for the sake of—getting married.—London Tit-Bits.

The Lumber Business of Three States.

The value of forest products, not manufactured at the mill, in Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, 1890, aggregates $30,426,194; value of mill products, $115,699,004; value of remanufactures, $21,112,618—making an aggregate value of products in three states of $167,237,816. The capital invested to produce this value was $270,152,012; men employed in forests, 95,258; women, 99; children, 10; animals, 32,491. In the mills the product required the labor of 87,939 men, 616 women and 653 children.

The amount represented in operation of machinery and chemical appliances, 1890, was $33,559,334; the expenditure of steam and water power was reported as sufficient to lift 3,509,009 tons one foot in one minute; 1,262,151,189 cubic feet of merchantable timber were removed from natural growth; $7,899,254 were invested in vessels and other means of transport, and $99,088,255 were expended for wages, subsistence, supplies and miscellaneous purposes.

The aggregate increase of product since 1880 is reported to be 29.63 per cent. in quantity and 75.92 per cent. in value.—Harper's Weekly.

An Odd Use for the Pin.

An odd use that the pin was put to long ago was that of checking the intemperate habits of the English. St. Dunstan conceived the idea of dividing the tankards out of which the liquor was drunk into eight equal parts, each part marked with a silver pin. The cups were generous affairs, holding two quarts. Consequently the quantity from pin to pin was half a pint, and the regulation was that the drinker "stop at a pin."

Roisterers, however, prevented the purpose of good St. Dunstan and established the rule of "good fellowship," by which the drinker was to stop only at a pin. If he drank beyond he had to go on to the next mark. As it was difficult to stop exactly at a pin the vain efforts always excited much mirth, and the trial usually ended with the draining of the tankard.—Table Talk.

A Man Who Had Eighty Overcoats.

There are dozens of New Yorkers who have a passion for buying clothes, and they count their suits by the hundred. Pierre Lorillard has a great assortment of clothes, and so has A. M. Dodge, the latter probably having as varied a collection of garments as any gentleman in the city. None of the fashionable set has ever excelled the late W. K. Soutter in the size of his personal wardrobe. Mr. Soutter was known to have had eighty overcoats.—New York Sun.

CONFEDERATE REUNION.

The City is Gaily Attired.

The weather, at this writing (Wednesday night) is fair and the prospects for a large crowd to attend the confederate picnic Thursday and Friday is good.

Early this evening West Louisiana street business men commenced to decorate their buildings with flags and bunting and almost every house on the square and principal streets followed suit and at this late hour, (9 p m) proprietors and clerks are working like beavers to complete the work.

By morning we expect our city to be a waving mass of flags and buntings, expressing a hearty welcome to all visitors.

The Democrat as usual is in the procession and in addition to its yards of bunting and numerous flags can be seen in front of its office the following sign:

"The DEMOCRAT bids you welcome."

Today (Thursday) will be devoted to a business meeting of the ex-confederate association, while the speaking will be on tomorrow (Friday.)

The speakers are expected to arrive this (Thursday) evening.

There was a Sunday school picnic at Stoney Point last Saturday. Hon. J. L. Doggett delivered an address.

We are informed by Messrs. Evans and Gough that they found Mr. Doggett's speech lying in the road and carried it to Blue Ridge with them. But Mr. Doggett, fully able for the occasion, delivered his address without the aid of his notes.

A Doomed Duet.

Singers who "murder" music are usually considered more guilty than the music is. The provoked Cincinnati judge was not blaming the music, however, when he turned the metaphor the other way.

His daughter and a young gentleman caller frequently indulge in tuneful vocal practice over the piano, and when they get together in the parlor the judge goes in as remote a part of the house as possible in order to avoid what he terms the uproar. One evening they had been even more devoted than usual to the music, and on the following morning the judge inquired of his daughter:

"What on earth was all that racket you and your caller were making in the parlor last evening?"

"Why, papa, Sam and I were trying a new duet."

"Trying a new duet, were you? Well from what I heard I should judge that you found it guilty and inflicted the heaviest penalty on it."—New York Times.

An Old New Orleans Custom.

If you have plenty time to loaf and observe everything that passes before your gaze you will notice on nearly every house in the French quarters there are big hand bills tacked up and bearing the heading "Decede." Beneath this there is additional printing, all, however, in French. These are death notices, which seemed to be used instead of the newspapers to announce the invincible fact. They state the hour of the funeral, etc., and the name of the deceased.

As a general thing these notices are tacked up all over the French section an hour after the person has died. I noticed several upon which the printer's ink had scarcely dried, and which announced the demise of some unfortunate which had taken place only a few minutes before.—New Orleans Cor. Richmond Dispatch.

Neatly Caught.

The following is told of a judge before whom a man was being tried for stealing a gold watch from a woman as she was entering a bus. The man claimed the watch was his, and the woman was mistaken in identifying it as hers. Suddenly the judge asked:

"Where's the key?"

The prisoner fumbled in his pocket and said he must have left it at home. The judge asked him if he would watch frequently with the key, and he said "Yes."

Then a key was procured, which the key were handed to the prisoner, and he was told to wind the watch. He opened the case but could not find any place to use the key, because the watch was a keyless one. The sentence was five years.—London Tit-Bits.

The Thoughtful Manager.

Mrs. De Style (in theatre box)—What was that placard, "No Loud Talking," put in our box for?

Mrs. Forundred (after reflecting)—I presume the manager left it there so he could show it to the people on the stage when their chatter interrupts the conversation.—New York Weekly.

The Red Man's Disappointment.

"Ugh!" said the Indian, in disgust.

"What's the matter, Swallow?" asked the agent.

"Big Injun chase white man a mile. Want scalp. Catch white man. Ugh! white man bald."—Harper's Bazar.

The Average Man.

One of the most galling tyrannies of modern life is that of the "average man." Who ever saw the average man? Is any one acquainted with any one who ever did? Has any one any reason to believe that the average man ever existed? The fact of the matter is that the average man is a myth. He never did exist, never will exist. He is a mere abstraction, a stage property of the political physician, a straw man set up to be whipped or revived, as the case may be. Yet people always bow down to him and talk in whispers about his thoughts, his moods, his needs and desires. They rejoiced when he is supposed to arise and are cast down when he frowns.

Statisticians burn the midnight oil in order to "do sums" about him. Strong men give up their lives to his service. Political economists look solemn when they take his measure. Physicians study how he may keep well, and preachers adjust the message of the gospel to his comprehension. Yet, of all the myriad men who have ever lived each one more or less from the supposed average man. Who will deliver the world from the tyrannical rule of the average man?—Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

Chinese Ideas About God.

A young lady who teaches Sunday school lessons to two Chinese boys living on Fifth avenue, speaking of her work, said: "My two scholars from the Flowery Kingdom can speak but little English, but I really think they have a good idea of Christ and his mission on earth. They seem very apt at learning and kneel and stand up at the proper time during church services. Both of them wear queues, though, and will not part from them for any consideration. It took me a long time to make them understand that Christ was divine. They imagined I had reference only to his goodness. At first they imagined he was an idol that had been found in the eighteen hundred years ago at Bethlehem, in Judea, and had been found after being exposed on the cross, and then stolen and hidden by those who worshipped the idol. It was hard to drive them away from the Joss idea.

"They speak English so imperfectly I think that is a drawback to their rapid advancement. One of them asked me if God was buried in Judea, as well as his son. When I explained that they lived above the clouds an incredulous look came upon the boys' faces, and one said: 'Melican man hab funny way up here.' I could not deny that we worshipped a God being far above us, but all around us. How long did it take me to make them understand the divinity of Christ? They are nearly four years old, they are such bright boys."—New York Herald.



H. & T. C. TIME CARD.

Going south,	No. 2.....	6:00 a. m.
" "	No. 4.....	4:48 p. m.
" "	No. 14.....	9:10 p. m.
Going north,	No. 3.....	9:04 a. m.
" "	No. 1.....	8:46 p. m.
" "	No. 13.....	6:10 a. m.

M. K. & T.

Arrives at.....	12:40 p. m.
Leaves at.....	1:45 p. m.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN.

Services every Sabbath at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. J. S. Weaver, pastor. Sabbath school every Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. ——— superintendent.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Services every Sabbath at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school every Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30.

METHODIST.

Services every Sabbath at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:15 p. m., Rev. J. A. Stafford, pastor. Sabbath school every Sabbath at 9:45 a. m. ——— superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30.

CHRISTIAN.

Preaching every Sabbath morning at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Elder Pritchett, pastor. Sunday school every Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. P. Harris, superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30.

BAPTIST.

Preaching every Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:45 p. m.. Sunday school Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock. T. C. Perry, superintendent.

LOCAL NEWS

Ida Douglass is visiting relatives in Fort Worth.

☞The best perfume at the Nickle Store.

W. H. Chapman of Bois d'arc has a very sick child.

☞Cigars, candy and peanuts at the Nickle Store.

Mrs. Hearn, who lives west of McKinney, and who has been very sick is recovering.

☞Good soda at 5 cents per pound at the Nickle Store.

Tog Chandler, Wood Herndon and Tweed Coleman are prospecting in Oklahoma.

☞For tin and glassware don't fail to call at the Nickle Store.

The Denison Gazetter says the Alliance encampment at McKinney was a "howling success."

☞The Nickle Store is still on hand with a large new stock of notions for sale cheap.

WANTED.—A large pair of jack rabbits, horned frogs and other Texas curosities.

F. W. FORD,
McKinney, Texas.

Mrs. Cora B. Satterfield, of Sante Fee, Tenn., is visiting in our city.

☞The Racket Store invites the people of Collin county to call and see their new goods, which are constantly arriving.

J. D. Thompson, of White Rock Alliance, brought in a cotton boll, which was opened. The fleecy staple looked pretty. Mr. Thompson says he has a large acreage of the same kind.

☞You can purchase almost anything you wish at the Racket Store on West Virginia street. Just west of the Foote House.

Miss Della, daughter of Jerry Dale, aged 9 years, died at her home near Copeville, August 1 last and was burried the following Sunday. The cause of her death was congestion of the stomach and bowells.

Miss Sallie Hall entertained her many young friends at her home on College Hill last Saturday evening.

As we go to press our foreman, Mr. Simmons received several beautiful boquets from his mother and sister in Kansas. It is a fact that we appreciate to have fresh beautiful Kansas flowers upon our editorial table.

We hope our citizens will push the artesian well business. We need good water and if ever fellow will put his shoulder to the wheel and not be contrary about the location we can soon have good healthy water.

There is some "pure cussedness" going on in different parts of the county by some reckless boys shooting into school houses and churches. The latest is the report that some of these wild and wooly young Americans engaged in shooting into a church house at Melissa last Saturday night, while services were in progress. Shame! on such conduct.

July Rainfall.

Rainfall in July, 1891, at advalorum, 6 miles north of McKinney, Collin county, Texas, as kept by C. B. Moore.

July 15,	5625	inch.
" 16,	3.25	"
" 27,	.1875	"
" 28,	1.0625	"
" 29,	.1875	"
" 30,	.25	"
Total	5.5.	

WHEN THE HAIR

Shows signs of falling, begin at once the use of Ayer's Hair Vigor. This preparation strengthens the scalp, promotes the growth of new hair, restores the natural color to gray and faded hair, and renders it soft, pliant, and glossy.

"We have no hesitation in pronouncing Ayer's Hair Vigor unequaled for dressing the hair, and we do this after long experience in its use. This preparation preserves the hair, cures dandruff and all diseases of the scalp, makes rough and brittle hair soft and pliant, and prevents baldness. While it is not a dye, those who have used the Vigor say it will stimulate the roots and color-glands of faded, gray, light, and red hair, changing the color to

A Rich Brown

or even black. It will not soil the pillow-case nor a pocket-handkerchief, and is always agreeable. All the dirty, gummy hair preparations should be displaced at once by Ayer's Hair Vigor, and thousands who go around with heads looking like 'the freeful porcupine' should hurry to the nearest drug store and purchase a bottle of the Vigor."—*The Sunny South*, Atlanta, Ga.

"Ayer's Hair Vigor is excellent for the hair. It stimulates the growth, cures baldness, resteres the natural color, cleanses the scalp, prevents dandruff, and is a good dressing. We know that Ayer's Hair Vigor differs from most hair tonics and similar preparations, it being perfectly harmless."—From *Economical Housekeeping*, by Eliza R. Parker.

Ayer's Hair Vigor

PREPARED BY
DR. J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.
Sold by Druggists and Perfumers.

Horsemen Attention!

I will exhibit during the reunion, a very fine imported stallion, Limes Bay, which is for sale on easy terms. Pedigree shown to inquirers.

A. A. WILLIAMS.

Found.

A purse containing some money and jewelry between here and Rhea's Mill by Jesse Howard of Vineland Texas. The owner can have it upon sufficient proof.

Illustrated Souvenirs

Of the Southern Female (Cox) College, LaGrange, Ga., are works of Art, sent free upon application. The forty-eighth annual report shows a faculty of twenty-five from America and Europe, 156 boarders from Canada to Cuba, and 228 private music pupils. The equipement of the College is elaborate, and the environment healthful, home-like and religious.

WALL PAPER.

Five thousand rolls comprising all the latest designs and novelties, just received at the City Drug Store and will be sold at the lowest prices ever known, R. E. BRISTOL.

Smith Bros.

Keep on hand fresh drugs, patent medicines of all kinds, Also toilet articles of any description; in fact, everything in the drug line. Call and see them, east side of the square.

WALL PAPER.

You can buy wall-paper and paints cheaper and have the largest stock to select from in McKinney at the City Drug Store.

☞R. M. Board has on hand a large stock of cotton sacks and ducking. Farmers are requested to call at his store before purchasing.

☞Go to R. M. Board when you wish to purchase cotton sacks and ducking.

Lubricating oils for harvesters and farm machinery at lowest prices at City Drug Store.

Plums for Sale.

Leave your orders for plums with C. S. Battle or E. W. Kirkpatrick, McKinney, Texas

Notice.

E. F. England will deliver Alliance lectures at the following places: H ney Valley, Thursday evening, August 13, at 4 o'clock; Josephine, Friday night, Aug. 14, at 8 o'clock; Copeville, Saturday night, Aug. 15, at 8 o'clock. These lectures are public. Ladies invited. Everybody will do well to turn out.

☞Tinware at the Nickel store.

☞Glassware at the Nickel store.

☞The Nickel store is the place to get bargains.

☞Harvesting oils of all kind at City Drug Store.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

Hitching racks are badly needed in McKinney. If you do not believe it just take a peep at the dilapidated condition of our back yard fence.

The Secret of Success.

Smith Bros. our well known druggists, believe that the secret of success is perseverance. Therefore they persist in keeping the finest line of perfumeries, toilet articles, cosmetics, drugs and chemicals on the market. They especially invite all persons who have palpitation, short breath, weak or hungry spells, pain in side or shoulder, oppression, night mare, dry cough, smothering, dropsy, or heart disease to try Dr. Miles' unequaled New Heart Cure, before it is too late. It has the largest sale of any similar remedy. Free books of testimonials free. Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine is unsurpassed for sleeplessness, headache, fits, etc, and it contains no opiates.

Collin county will market more produce per acre than any other county in Texas. Mark this prediction this fall.

A Husband's Mistake.

Husband too often permit wives, and parents their children to suffer from headache, dizziness, neuralgia, sleeplessness, fits, nervousness; when by the use of Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine such servies results could easily be prevented. Druggists everywhere say it gives universal satisfaction, and has an immense sale. Woodworth & Co., of Fort Wayne, Ind; Snow & Co., of Syracuse, N. Y.; J. C. Wolf, of Hillsdale, Mich.; and hundreds of others say, "It is the greatest seller they ever knew." It contains no opiates. Trial bottles and fine book on Nervous Disease free at Smith Bros. Drug Store.

Press Buckelew and family of Viney, returned last week from a pleasant visit in the B. I. T.

Miles' Nerve & Liver Pills.

Act on a new principle—regulating the liver, stomach and bowels through the nerves. A new discovery. Dr. Miles' Pills speedly cure billiousness bad taste, torpid liver, piles, constipation. Unequal for men, women, children. Smallest mildest, surest! 50 doses, 25 cts. Sample Free, at Smith Bros. Drug Store.

The lovers of horse racing enjoyed themselves last Monday evening at the fair grounds witnessing the race between Ben Hill and Sleepy Jim. Ben Hill won the race.

Preparing for hot weather—The following telegram from Whitewright, Texas, indicates that the people in that vicinity do not intend to be caught unprepared:

WHITEWRIGHT, June 2, 1891.
Chamberlain & Co., Des Moines, Iowa:

Ship us at once one gross Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy, 25 cent size, and two dozen 50 cent size. We are entirely out and have had nearly forty calls for it this week.

O. Y. RATHBUN & Co.

This is just such a medicine as every family should be provided with during the hot weather. It never fails and is pleasant to take. For sale by Bristol Bros. Druggist.

The first Monday attracted an unusually large crowd to our city.

Children Enjoy

The pleasant flavor, gentle action and soothing effects of Syrup of Figs, when in need of a laxative and if the father or mother be costive or bilious the most gratifying results follow its use, so that it is the best family remedy known and every family should have a bottle.

We are glad to note that Todd Warden is able to be out after a severe spell of sickness.

Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment.

A certain cure for Chronic Sore Eyes, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Old Chronic Sores, Fever Sores, Eczema, Itch, Prairie Scratches, Sore Nipples and Piles. It is cooling and soothing. Hundreds of cases have been cured by it after all other treatment had failed. It is put up in 25 and 50 cent boxes.

BRISTOL BROS.,
Druggist.

Our friend, C. M. Christie, of Rowlett, was in the city this week.

Aug. Hornung, a well known manufacturer of boots and shoes at 820 Nolan St., San Antonio, Texas, will not soon forget his experience with an attack of the cramps which he relates as follows: "I was taken with a violent cramp in the stomach which I believe would have caused my death, had it not been for the prompt use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy. The first dose did me so much good that I followed it up in 20 minutes with the second dose, and before the Doctor could get to where I was, I had no need him. This remedy shall always be one of the main stays of my family. For sale by Bristol Bros. Druggist.

Georg Carlile of Plano, died last Saturday night.

Arthur Lawrence will please accept our thanks for some nice melons presented to us yesterday.

Merit Wins.

We desire to say to our citizens, that for years we have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Dr. King's New Life Pills, Bucklen's Arnica Salve and Electric Bitters, and have never handled remedies that sell as well, or that have given such universal satisfaction. We do not hesitate to guarantee them every time, and we stand ready to refund the purchase price if satisfactory results do not follow their use. These remedies have won their great popularity purely on their merits. E. N. McAulay & Bro. Druggists.

Master John Douglass has our thanks for a nice lot of apples and peaches presented to us yesterday.

To the public.—Caddo Mills, Texas, June 5, 1891.—From my own personal knowledge, I can recommend Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa remedy for cramps in the stomach, also for diarrhœa and flux. It is the best medicine I have ever seen used and the best selling, as it always gives satisfaction. A. K. Sherrill. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Bristol Bros. Druggist.

A great many young people were highly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stacy last Tuesday evening.

The people at the World's Dispensary of Buffalo, N. Y., have a stock-taking time once a year and what do you think they do? Count the number of bottles that've been returned by the men and women who say that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery or Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription didn't do what they said it would do.

And how many do you think they have to count. One in ten? Not one in five hundred!

Here are two remedies—one the "Golden Medical Discovery," for regulating and invigorating the liver and purifying the blood; the other, the hope of weakly womanhood; they've been sold for years, sold by the million bottles; sold under a positive guarantee, and not one in five hundred can say: "It was not the medicine for me!" And—is there any reason why you should be the one? And—supposing you are, what do you lose? Absolutely nothing!

The colored people held installation services on East Louisiana street last week and enjoyed an ice cream supper. The DEMOCRAT force was the recipient of a nice lot of cream furnished by them, for which they will accept our thanks.

A Safe Investment,

Is one which is guaranteed to bring you satisfactory results, or in case of failure a return of purchase price. On this safe plan you can buy from our advertised Druggist a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. It is guaranteed to bring relief in every case, when used for any affection of Throat, Lungs or Chest, such as Consumption, Inflammation of Lungs Bronchitis, Asthma, Whooping cough, croup, etc., etc. It is pleasant and agreeable to taste, perfectly safe, and can always be depended upon.

Trial bottles free at E. N. McAulay & Bro. Drug store.

W. A. Graves, secretary, informs us that the Copeville Alliance, at its regular meeting last Saturday evening passed a resolution strongly repudiating a report that was published in the St. Louis Republic of July 28th, in which report the correspondent says that B. completely annihilated Dr. Cuno in the debate at the recent Alliance encampment near McKinney and that hundreds of Alliance men who were formerly in favor of the sub treasury are now condemning it.

Our Copeville friends inform us that that the Republic's statement is entirely false as regards this community—that the Copeville Alliance members are stronger than ever in the faith and many new converts have been made.

FOR DYSPEPSIA,
Ayer's Sarsaparilla

Is an effective remedy, as numerous testimonials conclusively prove. "For two years I was a constant sufferer from dyspepsia and liver complaint. I doctored a long time and the medicines prescribed, in nearly every case, only aggravated the disease. An apothecary advised me to use Ayer's Sarsaparilla. I did so, and was cured at a cost of $5. Since that time it has been my family medicine, and sickness has become a stranger to our household. I believe it to be the best medicine on earth." —P. F. McNulty, Hackman, 29 Summer st., Lowell, Mass.

FOR DEBILITY,
Ayer's Sarsaparilla

Is a certain cure, when the complaint originates in impoverished blood. "I was a great sufferer from a low condition of the blood and general debility, becoming finally, so reduced that I was unfit for work. Nothing that I did for the complaint helped me so much as Ayer's Sarsaparilla, a few bottles of which restored me to health and strength. I take every opportunity to recommend this medicine in similar cases."—C. Evick, 14 E. Main st., Chillicothe, Ohio.

FOR ERUPTIONS

And all disorders originating in impurity of the blood, such as boils, carbuncles, pimples, blotches, salt-rheum, scald-head, scrofulous sores, and the like, take only

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

PREPARED BY
DR. J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.
Price $1; six bottles, $5. Worth $5 a bottle.

A Remarkable Snake Story.

T. G. Boorman, who lives 7 miles southeast of McKinney, tells us the following remarkable snake story: Last Sunday he went into his stable and discovered a chicken snake about 3 1-2 feet long. He struck him with a hoe and carried his snakeship on the outside of the stable, when he discovered the point of a scribe awl protruding from the neck of the snake. Upon opening the snake with the hoe he found the awl to be about 8 inches long with a wooden handle about the size of an ink bottle, also he found a screw driver about six inches long, which the snake had swallowed handle and all.

There was a hen setting in a tool box in the loft, where it is supposed the snake after procuring all the eggs concluded to take in some carpenter's tools to aid digestion or perhaps his snakeship's, judgement of eggs was deficient.

This is a true snake story.

Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy, a marvelous cure for catarrh, diphtheria, canker mouth and headache. With each bottle there is an ingenious nasal injector for the more successful treatment of these complaints without extra charge. Price 50 cents. Sold by Bristol Bros.

Marriage Bells.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by County Clerk Keen, since our last report:

J. H. Meek and Auralie Rice; W. H. Stephen's and O. Stephenson; P. F. Hutcherson and Martha Seals; S. T. Rogers and Dora Kerr; John Allen and Ellen Coffey; J. E. Isbelle and Emma A. Huff; R. B. Grider and Quentella Harris; J. S. Foster and Sarah G. Oaks; R. L. Duncan and Ellen Hartin; W. H. Gerrin and Bettie Boren, James A. Lusk and Mary Washington; B. F. Satterfield and Viola E. Larue; W. S. Warner and Hattie P. Smith; J. E. Davis and Lydia J. Daniel; J. T. Horn and Mattie Oglesby; J. E. Bazzlay and Fannie Davis.

Oh, What a Cough!

Will you heed the warning? The signal perhaps of the sure approach of that more terrible disease, consumption. Ask yourself if you can afford for the sake of saving 50 cents to run the risk and do nothing for it. We know from experience that Shiloh's Cure will cure your cough. It never fails. This explains why more than a million bottles were sold the past year. It relieves croup and whooping cough at once. Mothers, do not be without it. For lame back, side or chest use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Sold by Bristol Bros.



I AM AN ABILENE COUNTY FARMER.

I sold my home in Collin county, Texas, for $30 per acre. I bought land two years ago in Abilene county at $5 per acre. I have raised just as good crops of wheat, oats and cotton as I ever did there, and my family have all been in good health. I am going down to Collin to tell my friends about it.

READ, PONDER and DIGEST!

The great bargains we are now offering to make room for the immense stock of

FALL & WINTER

Goods that will begin to arrive in about

10 OR 15 DAYS.

In preparatory to this great arrival we expect to make bargains in every line of goods handled by us in the way of

Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Carpets, etc.

This is no scheme but all we ask is a share of your patronage and our

Goods and Prices

Will speak for themselves.

Respectfully,

M. ARON.

M. Aron is in the eastern market, purchasing a large and well selected stock of goods for the coming fall trade. Mr. Aron is an experienced merchant in the dry goods line and will, no doubt, offer some rare bargains during the fall season.

Died.

Little Dora Galbreith, daughter of J. L. and Ora D. Winn, died at the residence of O. D. Winn on Sunday evening, the 26th ult., of cholera infantum.

The little darling was seventeen months old and its parents were on a visit to this place from Hill county. The burial was at Pecon Grove Cemetery on Monday evening last.

The relatives and friends have our heartfelt sympathy during this great bereavement.

On the 3rd Sunday in Aug. the Baptists of this city will begin a protracted meeting. The pastor, Rev. Scofield, will be aided by Rev. Frily, of Taylor, Texas. We bespeak considerable interest in this meeting.

For Malaria, Liver Trouble, or Indigestion, use BROWN'S IRON BITTERS

Finance Report.

The committee on privileges beg to submit the following report of amounts received and expended on account of Alliance encampment held at Willis Dowells pasture on July 21 to 25 inclusive 1891.

Amount received on sale of privileges $387. Amount received on sale of lumber $37 90. Total $424.90.

Paid Evan Jones,	$6.60.
Paid C. W. McCune,	$10.00
Jennie Scott Wilson,	$20.00
A. J. Streeter,	$44.00
C. A. Powers,	$16.00
Telephoning,	$1 50
Telegram,	.75
Willis Hotel,	$2 50
Senator Peffer,	$32 50
Foote House,	$11.50
Use of the court house,	$1.50
For Ribbon and Printing	40.20
Beef and Ice	68.85
J. F. Stivers & Co.,	117.35
R. J. Dorsey,	2.00
L. A. Foote,	9.00
Jim Cheek,	1.50
J. Herndon,	2.50
C. M. Quisenberry,	2.00
R. S. Sneed,	1.00
Total,	391.75
Balance on hand,	33.15

W. W. CHAPMAN.
M. W. YOUNGER,
W. A. HOLDER } Com.
Per. F. C. THOMPSON.

New York Life Insurance Company.



F. T. COOK, Special Ag't.

Below is a list of a portion of those who have taken policies with me since March last. Nearly all farmers in Collin county.

Jos. J. Beyett,	#	J. R. D. Long	
G W Holcomb	#	D S Martin	
F C Thompson	#	W D Muckle	
J P Knudson	#	R G Walton	
W T Dickenson	#	J F Myers	
J W Blassingam	#	A J Baker	
R Littlepage	#	M E Welsh	
B B Lindsey	#	R M Baker	
O S Woodall	#	Mrs Dugan	
B D Cowling	#	T N Wood	
Silas Birdwell	#	J A Webster	
G C Blackwood	#	W C White	
C W Blackwood	#	H L Terry	
J R Bledsoe	#	G W Akin	
J H Franklin	#	A Walker	
W G Airheart	#	G S Wilson	
Dr W Webster	#	S D Smith	
O C Bennett	#	G Watson	
A H Lindsey	#	G W Hill	
Franc Cook	#	W A Smith	
R E Durning	#	W A Bert	
W A Webster	#	W W Smith	

TESTIMONIALS.

I have invested in a Free Tontine Mortuary Dividend policy, issued by the New York Life Insurance Co. I consider it a saving fund whereby one can drop away a few dollars each year which is sure to return to your estate if you die or to yourself if you survive the period.

F. C. Thompson, editor and proprietor of the Democrat, The Farmers Alliance Organ of Collin county, McKinney, Texas.

I have a New York "Mortuary Dividend" policy for $3.000, which I consider a profitable and solvent investment, and I would cheerfully recommend the "Old Reliable" New York Life to all who contemplate taking insurance.

J. H. Ball, Merchant, McKinney, Tex.

March 20, 1891.

I have a Free Tontine policy issued by the New York Life Insurance Co., for $3,000 which matures next February. The fact of my continuing this policy through the tontine period is sufficient evidence of my faith in and appreciation of The New York Life Insurance Co.

J. L. White.

Mr. White is cashier of the Collin County Bank of McKinney.

Farmers if you are physically able you can carry a policy with us with out it costing directly one cent, and thus protect your estate and secure a competency for your family in case of your decease.

Write me or call when in the city.

RESPECTFULLY,
F. T. COOK.
☞Office with Democrat.

☞Big prices knocked silly at the Nickel store.

☞A new stock of glassware has just arrived at the Nickel store.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale By E N McAULAY & Co.

J. A. Caldwell. I. E. Webb.
Caldwell & Webb,
Physicians & Surgeons.
Office over E. W. M'Aulay's Drug Store

Dr. Webb can be found in his office day or night when not professionally engaged.

Dr. Caldwell's residence is on south Wilcox street.

PRIVATE
Boarding House,

Mrs. Webb & Son,
(Formerly of Collin Co.)
PROPRIETORS'
149 North Akard st, DALLAS, TEXAS.

OLD LONDON PICTURED.

COMPARED WITH THE CITY OF TODAY 'TWAS A SORRY SIGHT.

Its Houses Were Dwarfy, Squalid Structures and Easily Pulled Down—The Climate Then Was Colder and More Unbearable—Famine and Pestilence.

Who can rebuild before the eye of the mind a single ordinary dwelling of the vanished London of the middle of the Thirteenth century? It was a dwarfish, squalid structure of such crazy unsubstantiality that, with a stout iron crook and two strong cords, provided by the ward, it migh be pulled down and dragged off speedily in case of fire; a structure of one story jutting over a low ground floor, with another jut of eaves above, its roof perchance engrailed with gables, its front bearing an odd resemblance to the back of a couple of huge stairs, and the whole a most rickety, tumbledown, top heavy, fantastical thing. Chimneys were fairly in vogue then, so it had them—squat, square, wide mouthed, faced with white plaster, red tiles or gray pebble work.

Red tiles covered its roof. Its walls were rough planed planks or a wooden framework filled with a composite of straw and clay, buttressed with posts and crossed this way and that with supporting beams, the whole daubed over with whitewash, of which the weather soon made graywash. In front was a stairway—sometimes covered, sometimes not—or a stepladder set slantwise against the wall for an entrance to the upper story.

The doorways were narrow and low, the windows also, and the latter, darkened with overbrows of wooden shutters, propped up from beneath and sticking out like long, slender awnings, were further darkened by sashes of parchment, linen or thin shaved horn, for glass came from Flanders, and was costly and rare.

ROMANTIC BUILDING.

Such, joint and seam and tile being loosened into crack and cranny and crevice everywhere, was the dwelling of the London citizen as the eye might see it in the middle of the Thirteenth century. Multiply that dwelling into a tortuous and broken perspective of like buildings, some joined by party walls, some with spaces between, all pent roofed or gable peaked, heavy eaved, stub chimneyed, narrow latticed, awning shuttered, staircased, post buttressed, beam crossed, dusky red roofed, dingy white walled, and low under the overhanging vastness of the sky, and you have an ancient London street, which shall be foul and narrow, with open drains, footways roughly flagged and horseway deep with slushy mire, overstrewn with ashes, shards and offal, and smelling abominably.

There were indeed at that period, thinly interspersed here and there, houses of somewhat better description, solidly built of stone and timber, though at best strangely deficient in comfort and convenience, according to the fashion of that most inconvenient and uncomfortable age. Here and there, too, for those were the times of the feudal soldier and priest, rose in dreadful beauteous contrast with the squalid city the architectural grandeur of church and cathedral, or the stately house or palace of bishop or earl. But all around stretched dwellings which our poorest modern house excels, and on those dwellings all evils and discomforts that can befall had their quarry.

Light came dim and sunshine dimly glimmering into their darkened rooms. Summer heats made ovens of them. The old gray family of London fogs rose from the marshes north of the city walls. from the city's intersecting rivulets, from the Thames below, and crept in at every opening to make all dark and chill within. Down their squat chimneys swept the smoke, choking and blinding. Rains such as even rainy England knows not now soaked them through for weeks together.

A TERRIBLE PICTURE.

Cold such as English winters have forgotten now pierced with griping blast and silent sifting snow to their shivering inmates. Foul exhalations from the filthy streets hung around them an air of poison, or rising from the cesspools, of which every house had one within, discharged themselves in deadly maladies. Lightnings stabbed their roofs or rent their walls, hunting for those they sheltered. Conflagration, lurking in a spark, upspread in dragoonish flame and roared through them devouring.

Whirlwind swept through them howling, and tossed them down by fifties. Pestilence breathed through them in recurring seasons, and left their rooms aghast with corpses. Civic right or intestine war stormed often near them and brought them death and sorrow. Famine arose every few years and walked through them on his way to England, leaving their tenants lean and pale, or lifeless. Often into them broke the midnight robber, singly or in gangs; often to them came the gatherer of taxes or of tithes; upon them hung perpetually all the bloodsuckers, every vampire which an age of ignorance and tyranny could spawn, and in them herded fiendish bigotries, crazy superstitions, brutish illiteracy, and all that darkens and depraves the soul.

For that was the mournful midnight of our mortal life centuries ago. The old, sad stars that governed our conditions still kept their forceful station above the brawl of brutal and internal dreams; and one alone, now risen from Geber's east, hung dewy bright with the world's hope and promise, while science, builder of life that is holy, beautiful and gay, was but a wondrous new born child in Roger Bacon's cell, dreaming of things to come.—Atlantic Monthly.

Drawing the Line.

A native New Zealander was induced to wear a shirt, a paper collar, shoes and a hat, and he almost concluded to eat with a knife and embrace Christianity Then they asked him to wear suspenders, and he went out and hanged himself. It was pushing civilization too fast.—Detroit Free Press.

How the People of Sangir Keep Time.

The people of Sangir, an island of the Malay Archipelago, keep time by the aid of an hour glass formed by arranging two bottles neck to neck. The sand runs out in half an hour, when the bottles are reversed. Close by them a line is stretched, on which hang twelve sticks marked with notches from one to twelve, with a hooked stick, which is placed between the hour last struck and the next one. One of these glasses keeps the time for each village, for which purpose the hours are sounded on a gong by a keeper. —London Tit-Bits.

A Lucky Boy.

A lad at Annapolis was lying on a lounge reading a novel, when a bullet, fired a quarter of a mile away, came through a door, fell upon his chest and slipped down into his vest pocket, where he found it half an hour later. He thought his brother had hit him with a spool.—Detroit Free Press.

The Prevailing Ennui.

"You look tired."
"I am."
"Too many social dissipations?"
"No. Not enough."—Puck.

ON THE ITALIAN COAST.

Pale evening paused on a purple peak
To greet the sun ere he sank to rest;
Her brows he kissed, and her pallid cheek,
And left a blush on her dusky breast.

Then viewless lassos she softly threw
Around the necks of all living things,
Bringing them home in the twilight blue,
Amid patter of feet and flutter of wings—

Into the blue and out of the gold;
Sea birds home to their airy nests,
Lowing herds to the humble fold,
And children home to their mothers' breasts.

Tonight I paused on a purple peak,
When daylight died on the darkling main,
And something moistened my weary cheek
As thoughts long dead came to life again.

But there were no lassos my birds to draw,
My birds, my herds and my children home.
The night alone and her stars I saw,
And shadowy Ætna's awful dome.

O restless soul! Can nothing restore
The pride and promise of former years?
Or art thou a surge on yon iron shore
Which breaks and forever disappears?
—William E. S. Fales in New York World.

Admirals Rivals in Rhyme.

A London friend sends me quite a pretty story anent the daughter of Sir Edwin Arnold. She is her father's secretary and his companion in most of the journeys round the world. During her recent stay in Japan her majesty's China squadron ships and the American Pacific fleet were in the harbor of Yokohama at the same time. Sir Edwin and his daughter entertained the admirals of both fleets at luncheon, and in return were naturally invited on board the ships. The American fleet was first visited, and upon leaving the gallant American admiral presented Miss Arnold with a beautiful bouquet, tied with ribbons of the ship, as a token of the respect of himself and his officers.

This American courtesy came to the ears of the English commander, and not to be outdone by his American brother he presented Miss Arnold with a larger bouquet and doubled the number of ribbons. Then the American admiral sent Miss Arnold a few verses of his own composition. This was going a little further than the English officer was capable of, but he had some verses written to Miss Arnold and dispatched them to her three days afterward. The daughter then told her father, and she immediately found a third contestant. That same afternoon brought her another beautiful bouquet and attached was a card bearing the following lines:

TO MY DAUGHTER.

Oh, happy maid, whom two great flags conspire
To honor—blending rich melodious posies,
When admirals rhyme, the muse unstrings her lyre
To bind in pride their mayflowers and their roses.
EDWIN ARNOLD.

—Philadelphia Times.

Mrs. Gladstone.

She is one of the most charming looking women you ever saw—a sweet, kind face framed in full, soft, lovely hair and topped by a cap of velvet and lace. A gown that falls in artistic folds and doesn't rustle, and a way of looking at you as if she were interested in everything you said—that's Mrs. Gladstone. She does not care for society as it is meant by the round of balls and receptions and the giving and going to them, but she is delighted when she is at the head of her own dinner table and has about her a circle of friends who know and love her and Mr. Gladstone. Unlike the wife of any other prime minister, she never went in for having a salon, for surrounding herself with rich and powerful friends who would simply care to be received at the house of a prime minister, and yet have no real interest in the cause which he so thoroughly and entirely championed.

Instead, she has given her time to caring for him, to seeing that he was under any and all circumstances as comfortable as possible, and that in this way his health was preserved for the nation for whom he did so much good. Her happiest moments are when she is with her husband at Hawarden, but on every important occasion she has always been by his side. Just remember that this means going over the country in rail way trains, being for hours on open air platforms, and then you will understand why the people of England worship Mrs. Gladstone as a heroine.—Cor. Ladies' Home Journal.

A Noble Work.

Mrs. James S. Gibbons has turned her beneficence in the channel of charity, and her large contributions to the Women's Prison association have done much to make its standing solid and sure. Mrs. Gibbons was one of the first founders of the home, and it has been mainly through her untiring efforts that a law has been passed demanding that women prisoners should be searched and looked after by women. Mrs. Gibbons visits all the prisons and talks with the women. When they leave the prison she gives them a refuge in the home until they get started, and oftentimes she finds them situations.

"Mine is a particular calling, that of helping the female prisoners," she said. "Such a woman is the most unhappy of all human beings. Once a criminal always one, and the world has not a tear for her. Our prison association hunts all these women up and leads them to a higher and nobler purpose in life."—New York Recorder.

The great plagues formerly filled nations with terror; but they are now well nigh conquered, and are known mainly as matters of history. Smallpox was a frightful disease, even within the present century, but is now powerless to gain a foothold anywhere in Christendom.

There are two prominent occupations in which there seems to be no distinction of sex in regard to honor or compensation. On the stage and in the field of literature men and women meet as equals.

Lucca, the singer, will hereafter devote herself exclusively to teaching, and she will receive only eight pupils, and such as show that they have a good future before them.

No less than 17,000 young girls and women, homeless, friendless, helpless and foodless, sleep in the open-all-night shelters of Stepney Green, London, in a year.

A Weird Phenomenon.

Capt. Carrie, of the British ship Wayfarer, which arrived in Oakland, Cal., a few days ago, 154 days from Antwerp, reports a weird phenomenon on the night of Nov. 12. The Wayfarer was then in latitude 52 deg. 30 min. south, longitude 65 deg. 20 min. west. It had been blowing several days, but with nightfall the air became perfectly calm and the sea as smooth as glass. Overhead the sky was as black as ink from the dense masses of heavy clouds, and with the barometer at 28.50 a rain storm was looked for. The expected downpour did not occur, but instead the sea glowed with a phosphorescence beyond anything the oldest mariner had ever seen.

The ship's surroundings were lit up so that it was possible to read on deck. Nobody cared much for reading, however; the contrast between the light from the sea and the inky clouds was so grewsome that all hands could not help feeling that some unnatural catastrophe was about to occur. The crew were much relieved when a breeze dissipated the clouds, and the phosphorescence disappeared at the same time.—San Francisco Examiner.

RINGS OF THE ANCIENTS.

STYLES WORN BY THE EGYPTIANS, ROMANS AND HEBREWS.

Rings Are Regarded Differently Now Than Formerly—Worn Not So Much for Ornament as for Their Intrinsic Value. Some Famous Rings in History.

Looking at the exhibition of modern finger rings, the old timer is forcibly struck by the fact that, whereas in the good old days the decorative art and design were almost wholly expended on the gold band itself, modern jewelers confined themselves almost exclusively to combinations of valuable stones. It is a very ungrateful task to spoil a romance, but cold truth compels the admission that this is a practical age, which looks largely to the matter of convertibility in rings, watches and valuable presents.

Actors and actresses on their travels are seldom seen without a diamond pin, brooch, necklace or solitaire ring, because these articles represent a condensation of money in small bulk and undepreciable form. The finest workmanship on the gold itself goes for nothing. It is simply "old gold"—sold by weight.

It was very different in "the days of old," though there were plenty of precious stones available if they had been needed. The Pharaohs and their statesmen, the princesses of Egypt and their favored attendants, undoubtedly wore rings, for quite a number of mummies have been found with a dozen finger rings liberally distributed on the eight fingers, besides the indispensable thumb rings. For it is a singular fact that for hundreds of years after the Christian era the custom still prevailed of wearing the wedding ring and the masculine token of wealth and power on the thumb.

EGYPTIAN RINGS.

The ring is so frequently alluded to in the Old Testament as to make it plain that the greatest importance attached to it, even in the pastoral age. In Gen. xii, 42, it is stated that "Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand and put it on Joseph's hand," as a signal mark of favor. In Esth. iii, 10, mention is made of King Ahasuerus taking his ring from his hand and giving it to Haman, and the context shows that certain written documents were "sealed with the king's ring."

The old time rings were made of all sorts of material. Pliny mentions that iron rings were commonly worn by betrothed persons. It seems tolerably certain that rings of gold and silver were worn only by kings, princes and nobles, while less expensive circlets of brass, ivory, iron and porcelain or glass were worn by the average citizen.

The oldest gold Egyptian finger ring actually preserved belonged to Amunoph III, who reigned over Egypt fourteen centuries before Christ was born. Rings of the date of Osirtasen and Thothmes III, who were contemporaries of Joseph and Moses, have been found, but they are of common material and doubtful authenticity. The scarabaeus, a beetle which formed the Egyptian token of immortality (from being a sexual) is a common emblem in Egyptian finger rings, and one of Poe's most extravagant "tales of mystery, imagination and humor" has a well established foundation, so far as the scarabaeus ring is concerned. It seems to be tolerably certain that Egyptian women wore as many rings as they could crowd on their fingers.

ANTIQUITY OF RINGS.

The Egyptians and Romans undoubtedly preferred the left hand for ring purposes, while Cæsar, Livy and Tacitus all seem to insist that the Gauls and Britons wore their rings on the right hand. In any case, it seems to have been tacitly agreed that the third finger was the place of honor.

The Hebrew rings worn in those good old days were very ornate and beautiful. Quite a number of them have been preserved, and they put the art of the modern jeweler entirely to the blush. The most beautiful were the pledges of bethrothal or wedding gifts. The ceremonies in connection with these rings seem to be foreshadowed in the redemption process specified in Ruth iv, 7. The workmanship of these Hebrew bethrothal rings grew still more elaborate in the Middle Ages, when towers and minarets of gold were most exquisitely built up on the hoop. The Jewish bride of this era wore the wedding ring on the first finger, but in later days shifted it for convenience to the third.

The old style "gemmel" or "gemmon" ring (evidently associated with the French jumeau jumelle, uncommon, meaning "twin") is not at all an object in collections of antique rings.

The meaning of the indivisible links is self evident. Usually at the marriage of the parties the links were severed, each party wearing one of the rings. George IV gave a gemmel ring to Mrs. Fitzherbert. The toadstone ring was another quaint medieval conception. It was an outcome of superstition and died when superstition died. The idea of the toadstone ring was to prevent mothers and small children from the evil influences of the fairies. The smallest wedding ring ever fashioned was that used at the marriage of Mary, the infant daughter of Henry VIII of England, to the Dauphin of France, son of Francis I. The marriage was performed by Cardinals Wolsey and Campeggio, the bridegroom being 8 months old and the bride 1 year and 10 months old.—Boston Globe.

The Why of It.

When some one bragged that only one public execution had taken place in Turkey in five years, an Englishman investigated and discovered that no culprit who could raise $100 to bribe officials had suffered death during the last twenty years. There is always a good reason for anything that happens in Turkey.—Detroit Free Press.

New York is ahead of all the other cities if individual riches running up into seven or more figures are meant. It is said that New York has over 1,000 millionaires, while London has 600, Paris 500, Berlin 200 and Vienna 100.

Colorado's Pretty Reading Clerk.

Anna M. Kelly, of Denver, may be found today and hereafter until the close of the session occupying the desk of reading clerk in the Colorado senate, to which office she has been chosen. The contest over the election of this official was sharp and interesting while in progress. It ended in a victory for a woman. The rights of women are at least partially vindicated in the result which places a member of the gentler sex in an office never before held by any other than a strong voiced man in the history of Colorado senates.—Denver Republican.

Although the late Duke of Bedford was cremated, when the bearers raised the coffin they found it as heavy as usual, the duke having left instructions that a piece of lead should be put into his coffin with a statement of the cremation, in case, if the coffin were opened centuries hence, there should arise some suspicion concerning his death.

Neither the submerged chain system nor the endless rope system of canalboat haulage has proved satisfactory in Germany, so that experiments are now being made in the use of heavy towing cars drawn by locomotives similar to those used in mines.

FACE TO FACE WITH DEATH.

A Young Society Woman's Remarkable Experience Before a Mirror.

"At the ball last night," said a man talking to a companion at his club dinner, "a girl with whom I sat out one of the dances told me of a rather curious experience she had earlier in the evening. She said she was in the hands of her maid for the ball, was seated before her dressing table having her hair done; the room was warm and flooded with light; her ball gown was in her sight. She was reading during the process some light society novel, and, as she rather shamefacedly confessed, munching bonbons between times.

"All at once she grew tired of candies and fiction, and, putting both aside, sat looking in the glass while the maid worked. She was thinking of the ball and various anticipations she had concerning it, when, suddenly, without warning, and from no apparent cause, she found herself face to face with her own death.

"She put it very graphically: 'It was personal death I was struggling with,' she said, 'not the abstract death that we read of in the newspapers nor the future long-to-be-postponed mortality which we more or less indifferently accept as one common destiny. It was the actual end of my life, the finis of everything for me, and the going out from my home and friends to the darkness and horror of the unknown beyond. What religious faith I had forsook me completely.

"'I trembled and a cold dampness gathered on my forehead, I choked and started to my feet. My maid, alarmed, asked if I were ill. I said yes, and I was—ill with dread, but nothing more, for I was conscious of feeling perfectly well. She went to fetch a glass of water, and before she returned the vision, or whatever it was, had gone as quickly as it had come. The hairdressing was resumed, and I could detect no physical results of the visitation, which was terribly real and awful while it lasted, and I shall not soon forget it.'

"I reminded her of some verses of Aldrich on a similar subject, where, while the carriage waits at the door for milady's forgotten fan, the husband or lover is confronted in the same dismal way, but she had never seen or heard of them. Her experience was evidently very genuine and had made a considerable impression upon her."—New York Times.

Discovery of Natural Gas.

The first that was heard of natural gas in the states was in the year 1815, when it was found in Charlestown. Some six years later, a story is told of a woman going out one dark night to draw water at a place called Fredonia, in New York state—when she put down her lantern, much to her consternation a spring of gas by the well took fire. In 1824, when Lafayette passed through the same neighborhood, in honor of the occasion, Taylor house, where he staid, was illuminated with the gas laid on by pipes direct from the earth.

The great reservoirs of natural gas were first tapped in the process of boring artesian wells. As soon as one of the drills reached a certain depth the whole apparatus was blown high up into the air, and the gas escaped by the vent with a roar that could be heard from afar. One American gentleman boring for water met with this experience, and, having no other use for the gas, stuck a tall pipe into the hole, applied a light to the top, when the flame shot upward, and thus created a beacon fire which illuminated the country round for miles. Years afterward this light was still burning, and probably may be seen to this day.—Chambers' Journal.

Why Soldiers Break Ranks.

There are very few bridges in the world over which troops are allowed to march in regular step. In general, when coming to a bridge, particularly a suspension bridge, the drums or bands are stopped, the array is broken and the soldiers pass over without keeping step, or rather taking pains not to keep step. The reason is found in the fact that a very slight initial vibration, if continued, is imparted to the whole structure, and in a short time becomes so strong a downward strain at every recurrence as speedily to endanger the safety of the strongest bridge.

The same principle is illustrated in some houses, which can be made to tremble from roof to foundation by persistently and regularly pressing with the foot on a loose board in one of the floors. A similar curious circumstance is seen in the case of certain churches in which it is dangerous to play the heavy pedal pipes of a grand organ, for the reason that the vibration becomes so great as to shatter the panes of glass in the windows, and even to imperil the safety of the roof.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Spiders Are Industrious.

No small insect ever escapes from the web of a spider, a fact which is not to be wondered at when it is considered that an ordinary sized snare may contain as many as 120,000 viscid globules. The spinner is constantly engaged in repairing injuries to the web inflicted by wind, stray leaves or captured insects. Once a day the whole snare is subjected to rigorous examination, and any broken or loosened threads are adjusted.—Cornhill Magazine.

An Open Inclosure.

The following was related by the late Judge Breckenridge, of western Pennsylvania: "I once heard a Virginia lawyer object to an expression in one of the acts of the assembly of Pennsylvania, which read, 'That the state house yard in the city of Philadelphia should be surrounded by a brick wall and remain an open inclosure forever.'"—Providence Journal.

Off and On.

Ringway—Those are not your clothes, are they?

Featherstone—No, my tailor's.

Ringway — What are you wearing them for?

Featherstone—My own are being repaired.—Clothier and Furnisher

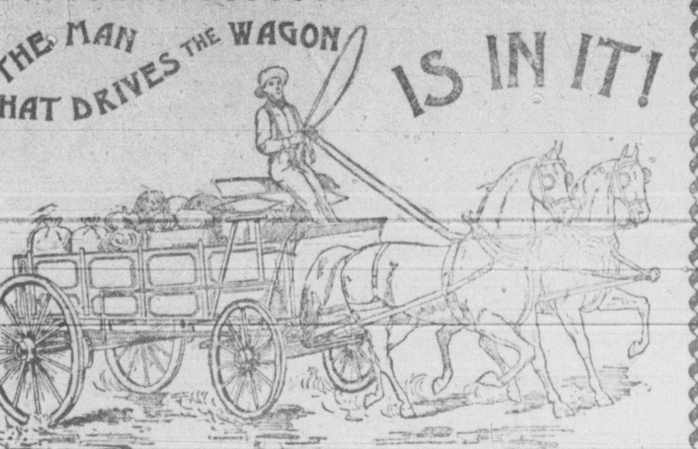
Wherein Bananas Surpass Wheat.

The banana belongs to the lily family, and is a developed tropical lily, from which by ages of cultivation the seeds have been eliminated and the fruit for which it was cultivated greatly expanded. In relation to the bearing qualities of this fruit Humboldt, who early saw the wonders of the plant, said that the ground that would grow ninety-nine pounds of potatoes would also grow thirty-three pounds of wheat, but that the same ground would grow 4,000 pounds of bananas, consequently to that of wheat is 133 to 1 and to that of potatoes 44 to 1.

The banana possesses all of the essentials to the sustenance of life. The savage of the sea isles and the jungle owes what he has of physical strength to this food.

Wheat alone, potatoes alone, will not do this. When taken as a steady diet it is cooked—baked dry in the green state, pulped and boiled in water as soup, or cut in slices and fried. I do not know whose beauty I admire the most, the majestic cocoa palm, with its heavy crown of great fringed leaves, or the graceful banana, with its great leaves, which are six feet long and two feet wide.—Goldthwaite's Geographical Magazine.

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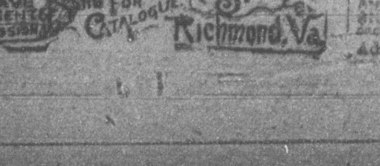
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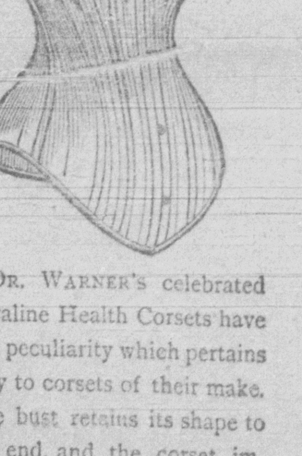
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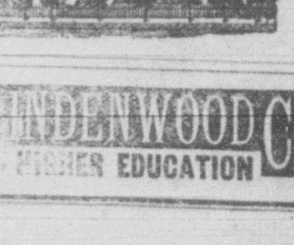
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